

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0023] with the following amended paragraph:

An embodiment of the present invention is illustrated in Figures 1a and 1b. Figure 1a shows a catheter **1** being delivered to the afflicted tissue **9** of a body lumen **8**. The catheter **1** comprises an expandable portion **2** having a balloon **3** disposed about the catheter **1**. The outer surface of the balloon **3** is covered with a sponge coating **4** of a non-hydrogel polymer having a plurality of voids **10** therein. A drug **5** is placed into the voids **10**. An inflation lumen **6** is connected to the balloon **3** to fill the ~~balloon~~ ~~gallon~~ **3** with fluid, such as a liquid, or pressurized ~~air~~ gas, and to expand the balloon **3**. A protective sheath **7** can be placed around the expandable portion **2** to prevent the drug **5** from being inadvertently released during insertion of the catheter **1** into the body lumen **8**.

Please replace paragraph [0026] with the following amended paragraph:

The drug **5** is delivered to the afflicted tissue **9** by filling the reservoir **12** through the reservoir lumen **11** with a drug **5**. As the balloon **3** is expanded, drug **5** in the reservoir **12** passes or is forced through the porous membrane **13** into the voids **10** of the sponge coating **4**. Additional expansion of the balloon **3** causes the drug **5**, which is in the sponge coating **4** to be released from the sponge coating **4** into the afflicted tissue **9**. A perfusion lumen **17** can be included in the catheter **1** to sustain the inflation of the balloon **3** and infusion of the drug **5** into the sponge coating **4** as shown in Fig. 2c.